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SUBJ: TRIALS WRAP-UP

REF A. ATHENS 5845; B. ATHENS 5320

1. PROSECUTION COMPLETED PRESENTATION OF ITS CASE AGAINST DEFENDANTS IN FEBRUARY 1975 "CONSPIRACY" ON AUGUST 6. PROSECUTOR ASKED COURT MARTIAL JURISTS TO FIND 20 OF THE 21 DEFENDANTS GUILTY AND RECOMMENDED SENTENCES RANGING FROM FIVE TO 17 YEARS IMPRISONMENT AS WELL AS SUSPENSION OF CIVIL RIGHTS FOR PERIODS RANGING FROM THREE TO EIGHT YEARS. DEFENSE WILL COMMENCE ITS PRESENTATION AUGUST 8.

2. MEANSWHILE, TRIAL OF APRIL 21, 1967 DEFENDANTS CONTINUED ALONG ITS COURSE WITHOUT ANY SIGNIFICANT REVELATIONS OR DEVELOPMENTS. ONE POINT OF INTEREST - ON AUGUST 6 CURRENT MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS BITSIOS OFFERED HIS TESTIMONY BASED ON CIRCUMSTANCE THAT AT TIME OF COUP HE WAS DIRECTOR OF THEN KING CONSTANTINE'S POLITICAL OFFICE. IN HIS TESTIMONY, BITSIOS ASSERTED INTER ALIA THAT CONSTANTINE TOLD HIM HE HAD NOT REPEAT NOT SIGNED DECREE SUSPENDING ARTICLES OF THE CONSTITUTION ALTHOUGH SUCH A DECREE HAD APPEARED IN THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE ON APRIL 22.

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3. TRIAL OF 32 MILITARY POLICE (PSA) OFFICIALS CHARGED  
WITH ACTS OF TORTURE COMMENCES AUGUST 7 (REFTEL B).  
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